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SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Landis, there's no further.... Senator Wickersham, to close. No closing. I just want to be sure I understand what signs you're giving me. Thank you. You've heard the discussion on Senator Wickersham's amendment to Rule 6, Section 3(b). And the question is whether or not you want to adopt that amendment. All in favor vote aye, opposed no. We're voting on the Wickersham amendment. Have you all voted? We're voting on the Wickersham amendment. Have you all voted? Record, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on the adoption of Senator Wickersham's proposed rules change.

SENATOR CROSBY: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: I now have, Senator, number 7, by the Rules Committee, Madam President. (See page 155 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR CROSBY: Mr. Will.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Senator Crosby, members of the body. This is proposed rule change number 7. This is a rule change that was submitted by Senator Kristensen, and it was in response to the fact that at the November election we adopted a constitutional amendment that rescinded the requirement that all bills be read in their entirety at the...prior to being voted on, on Final Reading. And the.... The fact is that there has been some discussion as to whether there may be some method whereby there still would be some time for bills to be read upon the demand of a portion of the body, that indeed there is some residual worth in the concept of Final Reading. And what this proposal would do is set up a system whereby a bill would not be...will be read at large, unless three-fifths of the members elected vote not to have the bill and all amendments read at large. This is only a portion of the proposal that Senator Kristensen presented to the Rules Committee. I believe he...I think he has an amendment that would insert some additional language. And, with that, I would yield time to Senator Kristensen, he can comment on the initial proposal or introduce his amendment, as he sees fit.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Kristensen.